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Inventors: Blakesley *et al.*
Our Ref: 0942.5050002/RWE/AGU

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (*in duplicate*);
2. Form PTO-1449, 2 pages, listing 16 documents;
3. One copy of each of the 16 cited documents on Form PTO-1449; and
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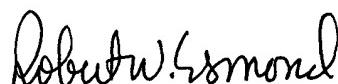
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